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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Project HARVARD (Renewal)

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3. The renewal request memorandum as prepared by EE Division is attached. It summarizes the accomplishments of the project during the past year and presents a detailed breakdown of funds requested for the renewal period.

4. I recommend renewal of Project HARVARD as presented.

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Foreign Intelligence

Concur: []

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7 Aug '56

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Attachment: Project Outline HARVARD

Responsible officers:

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(Signed) Richard Helms

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5 June 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Foreign Intelligence
ATTENTION: Chief, FI Operations Division
SUBJECT: Project HARVARD
REFERENCE: Memorandum from Chief, FI Operations Division to Chief,
EE/FI, dated 11 May 1956, subject as above

1. The referenced memorandum stated that the approval of Project HARVARD will expire 30 June 1956.
2. Renewal of Project HARVARD is hereby requested for the period 1 July 1956 through 30 June 1957.
3. Attached is an outline of Project HARVARD reflecting its current objectives, capabilities, and accomplishments during Fiscal Year 1956 as well as its overall accomplishments since inception.
4. As an item of interest, it is worth noting that all 33 HARVARD cases resettled by immigration to the United States during the past fiscal year are now gainfully employed and have given CIA very few problems.

Chief, EE/DE

EE/COP

Chief, Eastern European Division

Attachment:
Project Outline - HARVARD (trip)

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PROJECT OUTLINE

HARVARD

A. Target Area - Germany.

B. Operational Objectives

Project HARVARD was designed initially to provide safehouse and operational aid facilities for all CIA activities in Germany. The scope of the HARVARD mission was enlarged in 1952 to include the rehabilitation and resettlement of defectors, agents, and agent-trainees as their usefulness to CIA is exhausted. In this latter capacity, HARVARD strives, insofar as possible, to resettle some of these individuals with an eye to their future usefulness for defector inducement and psychological warfare purposes. In effect, HARVARD handles the resettlement aspects of the Defector Program to which, under NSCID No. 13, CIA is committed.

HARVARD is also available to render assistance to other CIA area divisions and United States intelligence agencies in the European Theater who need help in their resettlement problems. In this manner existing resettlement assets are pooled and parallel or duplicate activities are held to a minimum.

C. Accomplishments and Method of Operation

During Fiscal year 1953 HARVARD successfully resettled approximately 95 cases of which 55 were resettled between 1 January and 1 July 1953. During Fiscal Year 1954 HARVARD resettled a total of 182 cases, and 61 cases were resettled in Fiscal Year 1955; in the first ten months of Fiscal Year 1956, 98 cases have been resettled.

The success of the HARVARD operation depends largely upon close cooperation with United States and foreign consular and immigration authorities, the State Department's Escapee Program, and several private welfare agencies. Whenever practicable, disposeses are resettled on the local German economy.

Upon assuming custody of an individual, HARVARD provides for immediate housing and subsistence on the local economy, arranges for documentation and legal status in Germany, takes care of personal needs, welfare and morale problems, arranges for physical examinations and medical and dental care when indicated, arranges for language instruction and apprenticeship training, handles official formalities involving births, marriages, name changes,

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European travel., etc., and arranges for transportation to resettlement destinations. When it is deemed inadvisable or impossible to resettle an individual in Germany, immigration to another country is arranged. HARVARD initiates all action necessary to accomplish this end, such as obtaining the appropriate visa application forms, assisting in their completion and expediting favorable action thereon in whatever manner applicable. In the case of United States immigration, procedures have ranged from normal immigration to the use of Public Law 110, Section 8, and the Refugee Relief Act, Public Law 203.

Of the 98 cases resettled during the first ten months of FY 1956, the disposition was as follows:

	<u>Cases</u>
Immigration to the United States	33
Transfer to Labor Service Organizations	5
Immigration to Western Europe	1
Immigration to South America	2
Employment in Germany	50
U.S. Army Alien Enlistment Program	2
Transfer to U.S. Escapee Program	2
Transfer to Camp Valka	1
Disappeared	<u>2</u>
	<u>98</u>

D. Capabilities

HARVARD's physical facilities include fourteen safehouses in Frankfurt which are supplemented when necessary by the use of Defector Reception Center facilities and local pensions. The HARVARD staff consists of seven people, including a Chief (GS-14), a Deputy Chief (GS-13), two Senior Resettlement Officers (GS-12), two Resettlement Officers (GS-11), and one Administrative Assistant (GS-7). With its present staff and physical facilities, HARVARD is capable of handling a maximum of 60 disposal cases simultaneously.

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E. Costs

It is estimated that the cost of Project HARVARD during FY 57 will be \$114,100. The basic sum requested is approximately the same as for FY 56. The estimated total cost of Project HARVARD during the forthcoming fiscal year is broken down as follows:

<i>Rents + Utilities</i>	51,050
Indigenous Personnel - Salaries	\$ 5,400.
Travel	27,750.
Resettlement Payments	67,500.
Housing and Maintenance	250.
Operational Entertainment	7,500.
Transportation of Things	1,600.
Other Contractual Services	100.
Communications Costs	4,000.
Supplies and Materials	

A further breakdown is as follows:

Indigenous Personnel - Salaries \$ 5,400.

Harvard employs nine indigenous as maid-safehousekeepers for the servicing of fourteen safehousing units. The average salary will be approximately \$50.00 per month giving a total of \$5,400.00 for the fiscal year.

Travel \$ 27,750.

Projecting the results of the first ten months of FY 56, HARVARD will resettle 120 cases. It is estimated about 150 cases will be resettled during FY 57. About 50 per cent of these cases will probably be resettled in Europe at an estimated cost of \$50.00 for the travel of each of 75 cases, or a total of \$3,750.00. The remaining 50 per cent of the cases will be resettled outside continental Europe, but of these 75 cases only about 40 will require transportation at HARVARD expense. Travel costs for each of these 40 cases will average \$600.00, or \$24,000.00 in total. Travel expenses for the balance of the cases resettled outside continental Europe will be borne by USEP or by the sponsoring welfare agency.

Resettlement Payments

The amounts shown in the Travel category do not include final resettlement payments to the individuals concerned. It is estimated that the 75 cases to be resettled in Western Europe will require an average payment of \$1,000 for housing (key money), professional equipment, and tools, or a total of \$7,500. Past experience indicates that the estimated 75 cases to be resettled outside Europe will receive final resettlement payments averaging a little over \$1,000 each, or a total of approximately \$75,000.

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Housing and Maintenance

\$ 67,500.00

Each resettlement case will receive a maintenance allowance for room, board, and incidental living expenses. This has varied greatly with the size of the family, availability of safehouses, etc., but was averaging \$450. per resettlement case as of 30 April 1956. The total cost for 150 cases to be resettled during the renewal period will then be approximately \$67,500.00.

Operational Entertainment

\$ 250.00

This amount is estimated to cover the costs incurred in meetings with resettlement candidates and in the infrequent entertainment of members of foreign consulates, church organizations, etc.

Transportation of Things

\$ 7,500.00

It is estimated that miscellaneous shipments of effects will cost an average of \$50.00 per resettlement case, or a total of \$75,00.00 for the year.

Other Contractual Services

\$ 1,600.00

The above amount is estimated to cover the cost of medical care, facilities, and supplies not provided free of charge from the military post, prolonged hospital or institutional care, etc.

Communication Costs

\$ 100.00

This amount is estimated to cover the cost of contacting resettlement cases when necessary by local telephone or telegraph facilities.

Supplies and Materials

\$ 4,000.00

It is estimated that 150 resettlement cases will require an average of \$25.00 each in clothing during the present fiscal year, or a total of \$3,750.00. It is also estimated that \$250.00 will be required for books and publications for the resettlement cases.

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RENTS & UTILITIES

\$ 51,050.00

To compensate for the loss of current safehousing facilities due to derequisitioning of Army-provided housing, it is estimated that a total of \$51,050.00 will be required for FY 57. This estimate is based on the need for one house at an annual cost of \$8,150.00 and ten apartments with two or three bedrooms at a cost of \$4,290.00 annually (see FRAN 9867 (IN 29348) dated 12 June 1956).

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